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1. Interface module for local data networks having an inductive component (7) used as a transformer for coupling interface circuits to a data line used to connect computers, with the inductive component having a magnetic core (9) and multiple windings applied to the core,
characterized in that
the inductive component (7) used as a transformer has a magnetic core (9) made of an amorphous or nanocrystalline alloy with a permeability $\mu > 15,000$ and the number of turns of the windings is between 5 and 25.

2. Interface module according to claim 1,
characterized in that
the amorphous or nanocrystalline alloy has a permeability $\mu > 30,000$.

3. Interface module according to claim 1 or 2,
characterized in that
the alloy has the composition $\text{Co}_a(\text{Fe}_{1-c}\text{Mn}_c)_b\text{Ni}_d\text{Me}_e\text{Si}_x\text{B}_y\text{C}_z$, with M indicating one or more elements from the group Nb, Mo, Ta, Cr, W, Ge, and/or P and $a+b+d+e+x+y+z = 100$, with

Co $a = 40 - 82$ at%

Fe+Mn $b = 3 - 10$ at%

Mn/Fe $c = 0 - 1$

Ni $d = 0 - 30$ at%

M $e = 0 - 5$ at%

Si $x = 0 - 17$ at%

B $y = 8 - 26$ at%

C $z = 0 - 3$ at%

and $15 \text{ at\%} < e+x+y+z < 30 \text{ at\%}$.

4. Interface module according to claim 3,
characterized in that
the following relationships apply:

$$\text{Co} \quad a = 55 - 72 \text{ at\%}$$

$$\text{Mn/Fe} \quad c = 0 - 0.5$$

$$\text{Ni} \quad d = 0 - 20 \text{ at\%}$$

$$\text{M} \quad e = 0 - 3 \text{ at\%}$$

$$\text{B} \quad y = 8 - 20 \text{ at\%}$$

$$\text{Si} \quad x = 1 - 18 \text{ at\%}$$

$$\text{and } 20 \text{ at\%} < e+x+y+z < 30 \text{ at\%}.$$

5. Interface module according to claim 1 or 2,
characterized in that

the alloy has the composition $\text{Fe}_x\text{Cu}_y\text{M}_z\text{Si}_v\text{B}_w$, with M indicating an element from the group Nb, W, Ta, Zr, Hf, Ti, Mo, or a combination of these and $x + y + z + v + w = 100\%$, with

$$\text{Fe} \quad x = 100 - y - z - v - w$$

$$\text{Cu} \quad y = 0.5 - 2 \text{ at\%}$$

$$\text{M} \quad z = 1 - 6 \text{ at\%}$$

$$\text{Si} \quad v = 6.5 - 18 \text{ at\%}$$

$$\text{B} \quad w = 5 - 14 \text{ at\%}$$

with $v + w > 18 \text{ at\%}$.

6. Interface module according to claim 5,
characterized in that

the following relationships apply:

$$\text{Cu} \quad y = 1 \text{ at\%}$$

$$\text{M} \quad z = 2 - 4 \text{ at\%}$$

$$\text{Si} \quad v = 14 - 17 \text{ at\%},$$

with $v + w = 20 \text{ to } 24 \text{ at\%}$.

7. Interface module according to claim 1 or 2,
characterized in that
the alloy has the composition $Fe_xZr_yNb_zB_vCu_w$, with $x + y + z + v + w = 100$ at%, with

Fe	$x = 100 - y - z - v - w$
Zr	$y = 2 - 5 \text{ at\%}$
Nb	$z = 2 - 5 \text{ at\%}$
B	$v = 5 - 9 \text{ at\%}$
Cu	$w = 0.5 - 1.5 \text{ at\%}$

with $y + z > 5$ at% and $y + z + v > 11$ at%.

8. Interface module according to claim 7,
characterized in that
the following relationships apply:

Fe	$x = 83 - 86$ at%
Zr	$y = 3 - 4$ at%
Nb	$z = 3 - 4$ at%
Cu	$w = 1$ at%

with $y + z > 7$ at% and $y + z + v > 12$ to 16 at%.

9. Interface ~~module~~ according to claim 1 or 2,
characterized in that
the alloy has the composition $Fe_xM_yB_zCu_w$, with M indicating an
element from the group Zr, Hf, Nb and $x + y + z + w = 100$ at%,
with

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Fe} & x = 100 \text{ at\%} - y - z - w \\ \text{M} & y = 6 - 8 \text{ at\%} \\ \text{B} & z = 3 - 9 \text{ at\%} \\ \text{Cu} & w = 0 - 1.5 \text{ at\%}. \end{array}$$

10. Interface module according to claim 9,
characterized in that
the following relationships apply:

Fe x = 83 - 91 at%
M y = 7 at%.

11. Interface module according to claim 1 or 2,
characterized in that

the alloy has the composition $(Fe_{0.98}Co_{0.02})_{90-x}Zr_7B_{2+x}Cu_1$, with x = 0
- 3 at%, with the residual alloy component Co able to be
replaced by Ni with appropriate equalization.

12. Interface module according to claim 11,
characterized in that

x = 0.

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Figs. 4-7: Ferrite = Ferrite

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